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RE: Your Letter of December 12, 1997 - Division Order to Submit an Updated NOI Bingham Canyon Mine M/035/002

Dear Ms. Wright:

Thank you to you and your staff for meeting with Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation (KUCC) yesterday at your offices to discuss the above subject. The meeting was helpful in increasing our understanding of your concerns regarding the Bingham Canyon mine and reclamation plan.

I request a forty-five day extension of the time stipulated in the above referenced letter by which KUCC must submit a schedule for complying with the Order. I believe it would be profitable to continue our discussions regarding this matter prior to any submission from KUCC in response to the Division Order.

I look forward to meeting with you and your staff on January 6, 1998 to discuss the Division's decisions regarding bonding and reclamation of the second tailings pipeline and the Dry Fork water management project, as described in Mr. Hedburg's letter to me dated November 4, 1997, and to continue our discussion of the Division Order.

Thank you for your continued efforts to resolve these issues. Please do not hesitate to call me if I can answer any questions or provide additional information regarding these topics.

Sincerely,

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Director, Environmental Affairs

cc: W. Hedburg, DOGM